TOWNS EAST OF VERDUN TAKEN BY GERMANS

At the Forester's House at Thiaville. of Babonviller, the projectof a French position was not taken. A large numprisoners vemained in our

The capture of Manheulles by the Jermans was admitted in the official ommunique issued by the French War Office this afternoon, but it was added that a counter attack had carried the French back to the western limits of the village, which was brought under fire of the French guns.

French Regain Lost Ground. The French afternoon communiqué

To the north of Verdun the bom-bardment has continued with increased

Meuse last night there was a resump-tion of the previous violent local attacks, particularly in the vicinity

counters resulting in the driving back of the enemy by our troops.

In the Woevre district the Germans were successful, after an intense pre-paratory artillery fire, in gaining pos-session of the village of Manheulles. An immediate counter attack on our part brought us back to the western boundary of this village, which we

now hold under our fire.
In Lorraine the enemy was success ful in penetrating several small sec-tures of our advance trenches, but they are almost immediately driven out of There is nothing to report from the

remainder of the front. French Spott German Plan.

The Paris correspondent of the Times

The Faris correspondent of the rames, telegraphing Monday, says:

"The French, with their backs to the wall, are fighting with increasing optimism. There are growing indications that the first crushing, onpouring of the Germans is slackening and that the tide has reached the high water mark, it is not already on the turn. The if it is not already on the turn. The French counter attack at Douaumont marked the beginning of this phase of the battle, the confusion of which tends disappear as the French develop and

the line."
The correspondent says that the Gerfull advantage.

The German purpose," he says, "was defeated the first day by the tenacity of the French defence, the wealth of French stand last Friday. and the well timed with-After that first day there was period of hesitation and reconsidera-

BIG GUNS INVINCIBLE.

Port Dougument No Match for Ar-

Special Cable Despatch to The Str.

London, March 1.—The Rotterdam correspondent of the Daily Mail says:
The Koelnische Zeitung, after describing how the attack on Fort Douaumont (north of Verdun) was preceded by a terrific bombardment, asserts that the

Verdun Edifice. pecial Cable Despatch to THE SUN

The inhabitants then left upon military orders, which many obeyed only released which many obeyed only released to the Temps predicts a stalemate in the battle north of Verdun and believes the Germans are now seeking an issue by the Woevre district, via Moranville and Blanzee. He remarks that the Polyre-Baux front distort give enough room to handle large French reserves to be brought into battle and welcomes the extension of the operations to the south as a favorable development.

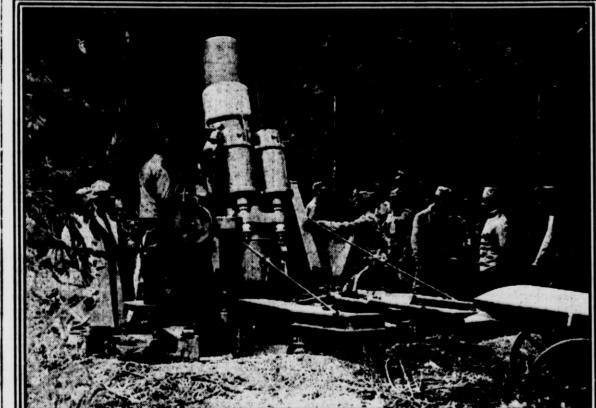
In the battlefield the aspect of a fairy scene.

From behind us the French artillery fired into the German masses, the German shells flying over our heads toward the Douaumount section. Then our machine guns, placed in batteries every five dead in groups upright, where there was not room to fail.

French reserves to be brought into battle and welcomes the extension of the operations to the south as a favorable development.

ONE of the great Skoda guns, which the German General Staff is bringing up to aid in their attempt to capture Verdun. These giant pieces, constructed at the Austrian army arsenal, have great

range and power and were successfully used in battering the great Russian fortresses in the Austro-German drive. They battered down the powerful defences of Warsaw and Brest Litovsk.



FRENCH SHATTER **GERMAN DRIVES**

Defenders Like Stone Wall Before Fierce Onrushes in Verdun Battle.

COLUMNS MOWED DOWN

Parts. Feb. 28 (Delayed) .- After seven days of unparalleled fighting the mans adopted at Verdun the tactics by which the French some time ago pierced the German line in Champagne, but of a breathing space with the French left French were unable to take and centre still occupying approximately the line Vacherauville-Douau-The Germans attacked this line furi-

ously, but they found that the battle period of hesitation and reconsidera-on at German headquarters, as is had entered a new phase. The French own by the uncertain wavering of in-divisions holding the advanced trenches dired military comment and by the Ger-bore the brunt of the German assault. communiques themselves.

Ifter that reconsideration it was sed worth while, despite the fact that resisting even after they were surgiving ground only foot by foot, often e first assault had not achieved its rounded. But when on Friday the Germans, advancing even more rapidly than these nearest to Verdun. This second before, struck the Vacherauville-Douau-

The statement connrus tures of previous reports and concludes:

"The French situation is improving the battle was being waged to the battle was being waged movement was carried out without in-terruption from the Germans.

Freuch Prepare to Counter.

Dead in Groups I pright.

Pend in Groups I pright.

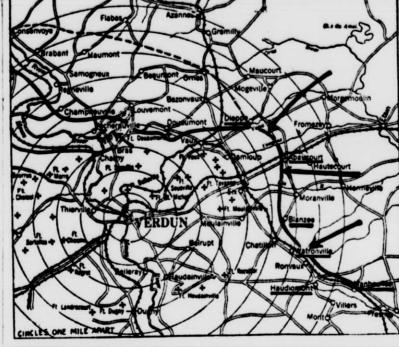
Case from Verdun say that the bome-bardment of the town began on February 21 from Spincourt. Little damage was done on the first day, but on the following day great damage was instituted by the big German guns. There were many civilian victims.

On February 23, the refugees say, the big guns severely battered the town, making the new church and the fine twelfth century Cathedral the main targets. Thereafter the shelling increased. On the following day parts of the town were laid in runns in almost one minute. The inhabitants then left upon military orders, which many obeyed only relactions.

Dead in Groups I pright,

Cas their battalions advanced upon us, they were in serried masses, by files of twenty. The shraple from our 75 militarter guns and the projectiles from our heavy artillery fell among them and you could see the great gaps, as if a mower had passed with a soythe. Then high explosive shells, which burst on contact, fell, and limbs shot into the air. We were so close that pieces of their torn flesh fell among us. Eventually we reached Moncourt and took shelter for a time in a wood. Although it was three o'clock in the morning, the bursting shells made it as clear as day, giving the battlefield the aspect of a fairy scene.

From behind us the French artillery



THE German official statement of yesterday announces that the new drive made against Verdun from the east has resulted in the capture of the villages of Dieppe. Abaucourt, Blanzee, Watronville,

U BOAT THREAT GIVES MACKENSEN TO MAKE AMERICAN LINE TRADE

White Star Will Not Carry

The Korlinsche Zeitung, after describing how the attack on Fort Douanner
courts of Verdum) was preceded by
terrifle bombardment, asserts that the
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February 22 the enemy attempted a surprise attack against our positions at Felahic. It was easily repulsed. On February 23 the enemy attempted to land in sloops a battalion against our left wing. He was prevented from doing so by our fire. Caucasian front: There is nothing

important to report.

Dardanelles front: Between February 22 and 24 enemy warships bombarded at various hours the Anatolian coast. On each occasion they were compelled by our coast batteries to withdraw without having obtained

PLEA TO GREEK KING

Powers to Counteract

powerless against the German heavy
guis

"The correspondent says that he saw
fire break out in Verdun itself."

The Nieuwe Rotterdanskee Covrant
beginning its article with the proverb
"No news is good news," says:

"The scarrity of information this aftermon is good news, in the present circumstances, for the defenders of Verdun the German forces engaged in the Certains news north effectiveness.

It is defensive, proving that the French nave received great resofracements.

The Germans here are not so central forms the French are followed as the followed at the figure of the present carried of parts and who was present at the figure of the Parts and who was present at the figure, but also that the advance has been early advance cost terrible falling at Ornes: "I saw the shamble sat Suippes and Souain. They were noting that the advance has been early advance cost terrible falling at Ornes: "I saw the shamble sat Suippes and Souain. They were noting at Ornes: "I saw the shamble sat Suippes and Souain. They were noting to what I saw last week. The ending at Ornes: "I saw the shamble sat Suippes and Souain. They were noting to what I saw last week. The ending at Ornes: "I saw the shamble sat Suippes and Souain. They were noting to the with more effectiveness.

CATHEDRAL A TARGET.

**German Gunners Centred Fire on Verdun the Rotter of the Parts and who was present at the fighting at Ornes: "I saw the shamble sat Suippes and Souain. They were noting to what I saw last week. The ending the work was been also that the advance has been early advance cost terrible fall the mystic that the advance has been early advance ost terrible for the star of the province of the province of the Internation of the British (and the province of the province of the Internation of the Austrian and German early advance ost terrible of the war." says a soldier who have remarked to me of the line said it in hight be the label been chilged to get certain information for the Swiss Intelligence points of the default of the star of the me dec

away until Priday.

War with Germany only, it was said, could prevent the American Line steamfrom making their transatlantic should know whether the Germans had concentrated in that direction. He he-TURKS REPULSE BRITISH.

| Seventh and the might be able to get information concerning this question from the Austrian and German milistrates against the introduction of the first specifically directed against the introduction of the first specifical directed a

Constantinople, Feb. 29.—The Turkish War Office issued the following statement to-day:

Mesopotamian front; On the night of February 22 the enemy attenued and tight a are accused of having revealed to the Austrian and German attaches concerned the movements of French troops. One of the officers is said to have had a Russian cipher message translated and to have sent the translation to the German General Staff.

Authrax Victim Out of Danger.

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Authras Victim Out of Danger. vue Hospital on Saturday, February 12, suffering with anthrax, was reported yesterday to be out of danger. He is the first authrax patient to be cured by the Elchorn serum. Drs. Fornel and R. N. Thogson attended him.

TARIFF AFTER WAR

Restrictions Against Enemy Nations.

KING MESSAGE THREATEN

LONDON. Feb. 29.—The congress of delegates of all the Chambers of Com-Manchester to-day sent a telegram to King George announcing the support of the thirty-seven German merchant ships the congress for any measures of sac-rifice which may be adopted by Parlia-ment in order to secure victory for the British army.

British army.

The congress adopted a resolution pro-viding for preferential trading relations within the British empire, for reciprocal trading relations between Great Britain and her allies, for favorable treatment of neutral nations and for restrictions by tariff and otherwise against trade re-lations with enemy countries, so as to make it impossible to return to the conditions existing before the war. This move to abandon the traditional free trade policy met with some opposition in debate, but finally was approved prac-tically unanimously. Reginald McKenna, Chancellor of the

Exchequer, attended the meeting on be-half of the Government. He told the executive committee of the congress that the Government was not committed to the old economic policies, adding that it had been shown by the war that these must be readjusted to new conditions.

The congress adopted unanimously a resolution declaring that the war has shown that the strength and safety of service, the British Empire lie in its power to produce its requirements from its own English soil and its own factories "rather than in the possession of values which may be exported and exchanged for products and

manufactures of foreign countries."

A resolution moved by the Birming ham Chamber of Commerce to urge the Government to take steps for the "pre-tection" of British industries arouse much discussion because of the use of the word "protection." This word was taken "to foster and safeguard" British

of the Association of Chambers of Com-merce of the United Kingdom, presided over the conference, the object of which is to discuss proposals for the regulation

HINT RINTELEN HAS **CONFESSED TO PLOTS**

British Reports Indicate He Has Acted to Save High German Officials.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SCN. LONDON, Feb. 29 .- The British author Manheulles and Champlon, which are all connected by a highway runplurpose, to continue to batter the French
lines nearest to Verdam. This second
lines nearest to Verdam this subject to the lines of the lines ties have been making both in this coun-

The foregoing despatch occasioned The foregoing despaths occasioned surprise among Federal officials here. The query was raised whether the Bris-ish officials could have obtained any in-formation from Von Rintelen himself. t has been learned that the British au-No Change in Schedule- Will Be Envoy of Central thorntees have spent much time questioning Rintelen, and it is believed they believed they base trade him understand something of the have made him understand something of the trade the vast amount of evidence gathered Lakes lisen and Medumskoe advanced.

CAUSE OF DEFENCE AT PRINCETON IS CHILLED

Prominent Seniors Lead Protest Against Campaign Going On at University.

tonian protesting against the militaristic propaganda now being carried on it American coliges Te letter says:
"We are opposed to the militaristic

Anthras Victim Out of Danger.

Eugene Hiers, 32 years old, of 427 the intimation that such is the case."

The letter is signed by five seniors, all

BRITISH TRADE FOR 34 GERMAN SHIPS SEIZED BY ITALY

Chambers of Commerce Favor May Be Prelude to a War Declaration __Tentons Bitter at Portugal.

REPRISALS

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN LONDON, Feb. 29 .- The Italian Gov

The Rotterdam correspondent of th Daily News telegraphs:
"Portugal's selzure of the German ships interned in Portuguese ports has

greatly angered the Germans, who ap-parently intend making it an excuse for sinking every ship irrespective of neu

sinche Zeitung, writes in that paper:
"Without doubt the seized ships,
flying the Portuguese flag, will be used by the Allies, especially England, to bring foodstuffs and munitions. The Portuguese flag is no longer to be regarded neutral, but even if otherwise, these ships are still German and we have the fullest right to sink our own

ships.
"The same thing is probably happen-

tain date. Otherwise we have no responsibility for neutral shipping losses. The greatest risk we can take is to allow

VIERECK'S MOTHER SEARCHED

British Get Letters Written by Editor of "The Fatherland."

THE HAGUE. Feb. 12 (by mail).—Mrs.
Laura Viereck, mother of George Sylvester Viereck, editor of the Fatherland, was stripped and searched by British authorities at Falmouth and The Downs.
Passengers on the Dutch liner Nieuw Amsterdam, which brought Mrs. Viereck from New York, said that she almost collapsed as a result of her experience.

Several Americans were also said to have been forced to disrobe for examination.

Report Successes, Also Advance and Mrs. E. May Whitehead. North of Poneviesh Railway. Special Cable Despatch to THE SEN.

statement to-night: At Garbounovka and north of the

TIFFANY & Co. **DIAMONDS**

WARNS SIR A. HERBERT AMERICAN ON MALOJA

IN THE MOST MODERN SETTINGS

Letter Just Before He Sails Only Panic on Doomed British Says German Raider Will Search Him.

SHIP WILL BE STOPPED

Sir Arthur Herbert, who sailed for have the fullest right to sink our own ships.

England yesterday on the Nieuw Amships.

It on the steamship Maloja, sunk off Dover on the Stantas, the only American passenger on the Stantas and th service, including those in American service, including those in American service, including those in American service and that he would be searched, service, including those in American the threatened search was described by the letter as a measure of reprisal for the holding up by the British authority marmed ones at Germany's cost. This

unarmed ones at Germany's cost. This is the kernel of the submarine problem. Soon the provisioning of England from Argentina will begin.

Argentina will begin.

Triends of Sir Arthur said yesterday that the anonymous letter gave the information that a German raider was being sent out especially to stop the being sent out especially to stop the control of the children, who had become septions and to force Sir Arthur to undergo a thorough examination.

Adeadly blow can be dealt her if we request all neutral States to remain away from English coasts from a certain date. Otherwise we have no relation that a German raider was formed to some other ship near by. The only panic was among the Lescars of the crew and among some being sent out especially to stop the Nieuw Amsterdam and to force Sir Arthur to undergo a thorough examination.

Lady Herbert and their only son. John, left New York on the Noordam on John left New York on the York on the York on the Noordam on John left New York on the Noordam

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SHIP'S COMPANY NOTABLE.

Nieuw Amsterdam Sails With Many Widely Known Persons. The Holland-America steamship Nieuw

ship Mecklenburg, which struck a mine on Sunday on her way to Routerdam, bad gold on board for Argentina. She were two New York diamond dealers, Sampel Kaplan and Aaron Feinstein.

The men escaped from the sinking the Moewe, was within twenty males of the Vauban when the latter was had gold on board for Argentina. She received orders at Rio de Jameiro to make a wide detour from her regularity and gold on board for Argentina. PETROGRAD, via London, Feb. 29.—The gers on board the Zeeland Line steam-Russian War Office issued the following ship Mecklenburg, which struck a mine Germans and advanced. Between Lakes lisen and Medumskoe advancing German detachments recoiled before our fire.

In the Black Sea a Russian destroyer dispersed a convoy proceeding on the coast road.

Sample Kaplan and Aaron Feinstein.

The men escaped from the sinking liner and 20t into a small boat, in which they drifted for several hours before they were rescuid by the steamship ports, touching at Barbados on February 5 for South American ports, touching at Barbados on February 5. In the Westerdijk of the Holland-America ary 11. She carried, according to restrict the port of the States on the next liner.

TELLS OF HIS ESCAPE

Liner Was Among Crew.

He Says. LONDON, Feb. 29.-Ralph Foster of

morning when he heard a slight report.
"I thought it was a gun firing a blank shot," he continued, "until I saw debris falling. The concussion had been se slight that I then thought that an acci-dent had happened to some other ship

sponsibility for neutral shipping losses. The greatest risk we can take is to allow this opportunity to pass."

The requisition of the German vessels may indicate the course of action which the Halian Parliament, meeting to-day, and the Hoyal Horse Guards and that he had been gazetted to a commission as Second Lieutenant of the Royal Horse Guards and that he had been gazetted to acmission as Second Lieutenant of the Royal Horse Guards and that he had been gazetted to sink liners sailing from British ports on Saturday.

the Italian Parliament, meeting to-day, will adopt toward Germany. The possibility of war between Italy and Germany has been an interesting subject of discussion in England and France for some time.

The Italian Government has not yet decided what course to pursue in recard to Germany, according to recent advices from Rome, but the Italian people in general are eager to declare war.

The seizure of the ships may be a forecast of a change in the attitude of the Government toward Germany,

lifeboat and tried to help shove it clear. Two of the white crew of the steamer were standing by to lower the boat, but We could not get the boat clear

"Everybody then piled out of the life-

Mrs. Edgerton Pope, S. Mrs. Lionel Smith Gordon, Countess Tolstoy, H. E. Vickers, Dr. H. F. Warden, Mr. and Mrs. Pennington Whitehead Buenos Ayres, Feb. 23. Officers of the Lamport & Hole liner Varban, which arrived here to-day, say that they which arrived here to-day, say that they would warning that a tierman raider, weithin twenty

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